The Red Rain Case - Cinematic Script

Cutscene 3

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## CUTSCENE 3 - THE CASE OF THE DRESSING ROOM

**NARRATIVE IN:** Player has successfully completed their third solve of the game, and is in turn rewarded with this cinematic. The context being that the player is a supernatural entity, and whenever they unveil a piece of truth, they gain a vision of a past truth.

FADE UP FROM BLACK TO A ROTATING A SHOT OF CRIMSON CITY THAT ZOOMS PAST A LONG LINE INTO A NIGHT CLUB'S DRESSING ROOM

INT. THE MORROW CLUB - NIGHT

A MAN dressed in a SUIT is in the room cradling a TRUMPET. With a longing look in his eyes, he SPEAKS to the TRUMPET in his hands with a VOICE that is equally COMMANDING and ROMANTIC.

JULIAN RAINES

My dear Stella, you sound as beautiful as always. Don't worry, it will not be long until we can be free of-

JULIAN RAINES is interrupted by the sound of KNOCKING on his door, followed by a loud VOICE from the other side of that door.

MORROW CLUB OWNER Raines, we're filing folks into the building, can you be ready in 30!

The MORROW CLUB OWNER hears an audible SIGH, and the sound of a METALLIC OBJECT being laid down on a surface.

JULIAN RAINES Come inside. The door's open.

MORROW CLUB OWNER
I don't know, Raines, I don't think I
have the time. It's crazy out there,
the staff are-

JULIAN RAINES I SAID come in. I don't enjoy repeating myself.

The DOOR instantly OPENS following that thinly veiled THREAT.

MORROW CLUB OWNER S-sorry to intrude, sir. Is there something you want from me?

RAINES' eyes turn to the DRESSING ROOM MIRROR.

JULIAN RAINES

Stella's sounds are a mirror, I fully understand everyone who has ever listened to her tones.

JULIAN RAINES (CONT'D)

Go look at your reflection in that mirror. And then shatter it with your bare hands.

MORROW CLUB OWNER

W-what are you-

JULIAN RAINES SLAMS his fist into the MIRROR he was LOOKING AT, causing the room to become filled with glass shards and blood.

JULIAN RAINES

I don't like indecisive people. Whether you reject or accept my request, do so with conviction.

Suit now STAINED with BLOOD, JULIAN RAINES approaches the MORROW CLUB OWNER very slowly, places his CUT and BLEEDING HAND on the OWNER's shoulder, and WHISPERS into his ear.

JULIAN RAINES (CONT'D)

It's not just you. Everyone else in this building lives a life plagued with uncertainty in every decision they make. Your existences are fleeting, fickle and worthless.

RAINES raises his HAND from the CLUB OWNER's shoulder, and walks over to pick up STELLA, who was patiently waiting on a TABLE, covering her in the BLOOD from his HANDS.

JULIAN RAINES (CONT'D)

The conviction to bleed my own blood on my beloved, to go on stage and project my bare and bloodied self to a hundred people. That is the conviction required to validate one's existence.

As the shot follows RAINES walking out of the DRESSING ROOM, the SHOT FREEZES and DISTORTS, and GAME TEXT appears on screen.

GAME UI

What feeling do you think spurred Julian Raines to trigger this interaction with the Club Owner?

## Player can choose from the following 4 options:

[OPTION 1] Hatred [OPTION 2] Love

[OPTION 3] Purpose [OPTION 4] Powerlessness

**NOTE:** Every "reward" cutscene to the player ends with the game asking a subjective question, in order to generate a personalized connection and interpretation from players.

**NARRATIVE OUT:** Once they answer, the player returns to where they last were in the game world, with full control once again.